

ATTENTION CHIEFS OF STAFF:
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(Mr. ASHBROOK asked and was given permission to extend his remarks at this point in the Record.)

Mr. ASHBROOK. I was very pleased to hear the address of President Manuel Prado of the Republic of Peru this afternoon before the House of Representatives. While his message was short, it was to the point. He did not talk like a neutral, he talked like a leader of men and avowed his opposition to communism. I am naive enough to believe he would make a good friend.

It is disturbing that the military leaders of our country—yes, all Americans—had to listen to this anti-Communist. With Defense Department orders, memorandums, instructions, prohibitions, etc. in the back of their minds, they might have been inclined to think that in light of recent events he was "eccentric"—as General Walker has been labeled—or maybe even fascistic since he did not indicate he was an agrarian reformer or Socialist. Such conservative, rightwing ideas must have been disconcerting to the State Department representatives too. Obviously, he will not be considered very highly for aid.

President Prado must have shaken the Stevenson-Schlesinger-Bowles-Galbraith college of international appeasement, not to be confused with CIA, with this statement:

Now, with regard to nonintervention. This principle is being badly misrepresented by some who would invoke it to permit the destruction of the inter-American system of free republics by an outside power—namely, international communism. The doctrine of nonintervention is designed to prevent interference by one nation in the foreign and domestic affairs of another, whether this interference be done through infiltration, through propaganda or through the abuse of diplomatic privileges.

Shades of Chiang Kai-shek. What a revolutionary doctrine. Almost as radical as his further statement:

My ideological position from the time I first occupied the Presidency is positive, clear, and definitely anti-Communist. I have opposed and I now oppose this conception of the world which degrades man, deprives him of his liberty, subjugates him to the slavery of the state, robs him of a just wage, condemns him to the common and the anonymous, controls his thoughts, directs his culture and separates him from God.

Who cleared with an obvious radical to come into this country and extol anti-Communist activity? Obviously not the bureaucrat who deleted similar references from Admiral Burke's speech. He certainly must be classified as a totalitarian, at least, because he does not think we should give diplomatic recognition to or consort with the murderers, thieves, and oppressors of the Kremlin. In closing, he stated:

I consider it an error for me not to have accepted suggestions which I received in 1942 to exchange ambassadors with the Soviet Union despite the fact, that at the time, that country and mine were part of the same war front. As a result Peru has no diplomatic relations with the governments behind the Iron Curtain. The reason for my refusal is

obvious: I foresaw that once Nazi-Fascist totalitarianism was conquered, communism would employ all its resources in an attempt to dominate the world. Unfortunately the facts have given me good reason.

Step to the rear of the class, President Prado. You are not doing a very good job of following U.S. leadership.

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